

REMARKS

Upon entry of this amendment, claims 52 and 57-66 will be all the claims pending in the application. Claims 51 and 53-56 have been canceled and claims 57 and 60-62 and 65 have been amended to prevent the claims from depending from canceled claims.

Preliminarily, Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the personal interview conducted with Applicant's representative on February 13, 2004 and the telephone interview of March 1, 2004. Applicants believe that the interviews were helpful in advancing the prosecution of the present application.

During the telephone interview of March 1, 2004 (and as set forth in the Interview Summary for that interview), the Examiner indicated that claim 52 was allowable. It is respectfully submitted that since claim 52 is allowable, claims 57-66 depending therefrom are allowable for the same reasons as claim 52.

Applicants have canceled non-allowed claims 51 and 53-56.

In view of the above, entry of the above amendment is respectfully requested since the amendments will place the application in condition for allowance.

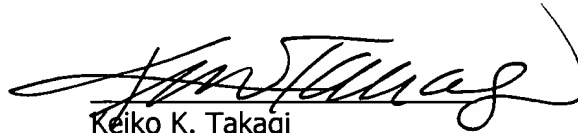
Allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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